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For: INFORMATION TERMINAL DEVICE AND PC CARD THAT A USER CAN EASILY FIND A
HOT SPOT TO ACCESS A WIRELESS LAN

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2. Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-298034, published October 24, 2000.
3. Japanese Patent Application No. 10-322355, published December 4, 1998.
4. Japanese Patent Application No. 06-236145, published August 23, 1994.
5. Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-217813, published August 2, 2002.
6. Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-163268, published June 7, 2002.
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